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Declaration of Igor (NMI) Strashny Under 37 CFR 1.132

- I, Igor Strashny declare as follows under penalty of perjury.
- I am currently and have been an Employee of Caterpillar Inc. since December 1, 1998.
- I hold a Master of Science Degree in Applied Mathematics and Statistics from the State University of New York at Stony Brook awarded in May 1997.
- 3. I am an Engineer for Caterpillar Inc. and am the inventor of the Invention claimed in U.S. Patent 6,357,232 issued on March 19, 2002.
- 4. I am also a Co-inventor of the Invention claimed in U.S Patent Application Serial Number 09/973,266.

#1 11-25-03 5. Both of the Inventions in U.S patent 6,357,232 and Patent Application Serial Number 09/973,266 were/are commonly owned by Caterpillar Inc. and is thus not the invention "by another".

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